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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

1	A wireless communication terminal has an air interface for interfacing
2	the terminal to a base station, an internal power source and an external power
3	source. A power control circuit normally energizes the wireless
4	communication terminal with the external power source and energizes the
5	terminal with the internal power source when the external power source is
6	faulty. A monitor circuit is provided for monitoring the external power
7	source and sending a message from the air interface to a base station
8	controller via the base station when the communication terminal is operating
9	with the internal power source.